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ACCESS PROGRAM 2010

1. Objectives

The access program to ICTS/CIEM has the objective to grant with funding and help to perform stays in an excellence installation used as reference in the European Union and World-wide. The experiments here carried on deal with coastal, harbour and oceanographic engineering, as well as in other fields as aquaculture or wave energy installations.

The stays must focus on the acquisition of new skills in the maritime laboratory experiment field, for externals researchers to the installation, as well as the participation in experimental tests.

The available funding can be found inside the 2009-2010 program for scientific and technological relevant infrastructures, inside the frame of the "Programa Nacional de Infraestructuras científico-tecnológicas" (Anexo 1 de la Orden PRE/1083/2008, published on April 11th in B.O.E.-April 18th-) Orden PRE/660/2008, March 7th (B.O.E. March 12th), in which the public support for the National Plan for Scientific and Technological Innovation is settled, 2008-2011.

2. Scope of this funding

CIEM offers, in this call, funding to perform research stays inside the next categories:

Category 1: This category includes researchers doing the PhD. The stay is to complement the research being developed in the frame of their Doctoral Thesis.

Category 2: This category includes post-doctoral researchers or researchers with at least five years of recognised research experience. These stays are funded to improve the skill of the researcher by the use of the CIEM technology.

A unique user can request more than one ICTS stays. All requested stays will be considered without taking into account previous stays.

3. Offered Access

The offered access takes into account the accommodations expenses and per diems during the stay in the CIEM.

The funding take into account the grant for the used CIEM time and the upkeep and accommodation up to 700 €/week. Likewise there is funding for the travel expenses up to 300 €.

4. Requirements

The researchers requesting for these funding must fulfil the next requirements:

- Be Spanish/European citizen or from any of the other states belonging to the European Economic Space. There is also the option of being a Spanish resident.
- For Category 1: The researcher must be doing the Ph Degree.
- For Category 2: The researcher must have the Ph Degree or must be able to credit at least five years or research experience. The researcher must be linked to a public or private I+D non-profit center. The researcher must be part of an equipment or research group, or in case, he must be part of a scientific department.
- The research jobs related to the ICTS access must be framed inside one of the topics being developed by the CIEM.

Could be user of the ICTS, under protection of the anticipated aids in the present call, those researcher, belongs or not to the organization that manages it or that it has it assigned, that fulfills the requirements previously described, always and when its job does not appear in the personnel relations, statutory or labor, of this ICTS, neither in the one of a unit of support researcher to the same one, nor in the researcher unit to which the ICTS is assigned

The works of research related to the access to the ICTS will have to be framed within some of the thematic areas in which the CIEM is involved.

According to the call compatibilities regime of compatibilities, the perception of these aids by part of the users of the accesses program will be incompatible with any aid that grant for himself aim, whatever it is his nature and the organization that grants it.

Illegally perceived amounts will have to be refunded to the Public Treasure. When accessing to the ICTS, the user will have to declare in writing that it does not perceive other aids for the same stay.

5. Documentation

Interested people must fulfil the access form and send it by post, fax or email to CIEM, jointly with next documents:

- Certified copy of passport or national identification document. The document must be valid at the present date. A certified copy of a valid residence card will also be accepted.
- Statement from the researcher reporting to fulfil the requirements of the chosen category.
- Job proposal during the stay.
- Curriculum Vitae.
- Favourable report from the thesis director, head of the department or main researcher of the actual project.

6. Application presentation

All stays must be done before January 2011.

7. Selection decision

From all presented requests, with correct documentation within the fixed deadline, there will be a selection process carried out by a committee formed by the Director of the Laboratori d'Enginyeria Marítima, the manager of the CIEM flume and one scientific staff member from the CIEM for Category 1 stays. Category 2 stays will be selected by an Independent Scientific Pannel.

Next approach will be considered when doing the required selection:

- Fulfilment of the requested points on every category.
- Scientific quality and interest from the proposal.
- Curriculum Vitae.
- Reason for the proposal. This rationalization must be endorsed by the thesis director, head of the department or main researcher in the actual research project.
- Feasibility of the proposal inside the access ICTS program.

In case than more than one researcher gets the same number of points, the priority will be for the researcher obtaining for first time the ICTS. The final decision will be personally delivered to the applicant researcher.

8. Contact

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